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Statement-III

Details regarding reduction in international prices and domestic prices of petroleum products

| International Prices | Petrol \$/Bbl | Diesel \$/Bbl | LPG \$MT | Jet Kero \$/Bbl |
|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------------|------------------|
| May" 2004 | 48.41 | 40.74 | 319.20 | 43.77 |
| Feb" 2007 | 65.73 | 67.96 | 526.00 | 69.27 |
| Percentage Increase | 35.8% | 66.8% | 64.8% | 58.3% |
| Domestic Prices* | Petrol Rs./Ltr. | Diesel Rs./Ltr. | Domestic PDS LPG Rs./Cyl. | Kerosene RsVLtr. |
| May' 2004 | 33.71 | 21.74 | 241.60 | 9.01 |
| Feb'2007 | 42.85 | 30.25 | 294.75 | 9.09 |
| Percentage Increase | 27% | 39% | 22% | 0.9% |

*Delhi retail prices considered.

Cancellation of petrol pumps and oil depots

†811. SHRI DHARAM PAL SABHARWAL: Will the Minister of PETROEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the action taken by Government with regard to cancellation of the petrol pumps and oil depots as per the orders of the Supreme Court allotted during the NDA Government; and

(b) the details of total number of allotments that are being cancelled?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA J. PATEL): (a) Ministry has advised Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) for compliance of Supreme Court orders in the matter.

(b) The Supreme Court has so far upheld the recommendation of two judge committee for cancellation of the selection made by the then Dealer Selection Boards (DSBs) in 147 cases of Retail Outlet dealerships/LPG distributorships/SKO-LDO dealerships in various States across the country.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.